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IMPROVE KT-12 TRACTOR; MTS LACK ROLLER BEARINGS

TEST IMPROVED KT-12 TRACTOR -- Petrozavodsk, Leninskoye Znamya, 6 Oct 50

An improved version of the KT-12 skidding tractor is undergoing tests at the Liseyskiy Timber Management. In the new tractor, the units have been so arranged as to permit an additional load of 2-3 cubic meters.

TRACTOR PLANT INEFFICIENT -- Stalinabad, Kommunist Tadzhikistana, 6 Sep 50

The Stalinabad Traktorodetal' Plant failed to fulfill the half-year plan. Its current work is also marked by interruptions. It operates in outmoded fashion, unmindful of advanced techniques and Stakhanovite achievements.

Although 39 of its machine tools are equipped for high-speed operations, only 17 employ this method. One reason is that the tools have not been turned over to the workers for socialist maintenance. As a rule, an operator does not work more than two or three shifts at the same machine.

The contemptuous attitude to all that is new evinced by Director Skvortsov, Chief Engineer Kovrigin, and Sitnikov, Chief of the Technical Division, has prevented the plant from organizing technical training courses for the workers and discouraged innovators. Kolesov, the plant's party secretary, has failed in his duty to provide the proper stimulus.

TRACTORS IDLE FOR WANT OF ROLLER BEARINGS -- Kishinev, Sovetskaya Moldaviya, 15 Oct 50

In many Moldavian MTS, tractors are standing idle for want of roller bearing replacements.

Glavavtotraktorosbyt (Main Administration of Automobile and Tractor Sales) and the Ministry of Agriculture USSR were ordered some time ago by the Council of Ministers USSR to turn in worn-out bearings. However, the Administration of

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MTS of the Ministry of Agriculture failed to comply with this order. In the first half of 1950, it failed to turn in 5,495 bearings (worth 132,000 rubles). Thus, about 9,900 kilograms of high-grade metal went to the waste pile.

Moskovskaya Pravda, 11 Oct 50

The cost-accounting and purchasing section of Glavavtotraktorodetal', Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry USSR, has been liquidated. All claims must be addressed by 21 October to the Moscow Glavavtodetal' office; claims will not be considered after that date. -- Liquidation Committee

PLANT BUILDS FURNACE TO SMELT WASTE PRODUCTS -- Yerevan, Kommunist, 6 Sep 50

At the Yerevan Avtodetal' Plant, a furnace has been built for smelting metal shavings. It has the form of an eight-step pyramid, 1.8 meters high with diameters 1.2 to 1.0 meters.

FULFILLMENT OF TRUCK ORDER UNDER WAY -- Stalinabad, Kommunist Tadzhikstana, 10 Sep 50

On 6 September 1950, the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin completed 15 of the 125 trucks ordered by the Stalingradgidrostroy (Stalingrad Hydro-electric Construction Project).

Moscow, Izvestiya, 20 Sep 50

The Gor'kiy Automobile Plant imeni Molotov has dispatched its first group of trucks to the Kuybyshev and Stalingrad hydroelectric construction projects.

Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 7 Sep 50

The Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin has dispatched about 100 ZIS-150 trucks and some gas-cylinder trucks using liquefied gas as its contribution to the construction of the Kuybyshev GES.

MAKES BEARINGS FOR SHEET-ROLLING MILL -- Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 21 Oct 50

In a short time, the Moscow First State Bearing Plant produced a large quantity of large-dimensional bearings for a sheet-rolling mill of the Magnitogorsk Metallurgical Combine.

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